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Dr. Julius A. Stratton, President
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 Cambridge 32, Massachusetts

Dear Dr. Stratton:

Repeating your request to be kept informed of any progress in the problem of "unidentified flying objects," this letter will bring you up to date.

Last December, the section of the Air Technical Intelligence Center charged with investigation of reports of sightings presented a status briefing at the Agency. Based upon the evidence presented, the subject was discussed at a December meeting of the Intelligence Advisory Committee (CIA, Army, Navy, Air Force, Joint Staff, State, SEC, and FBI). At that time it was recommended that CIA should assemble a panel of highly qualified personnel to examine the problem and its ramifications. Particular competency in the fields of physics, radar and astronomy was believed desirable.

We were fortunate to obtain the services of especially qualified men, I believe you will agree. Enclosed for your information are copies of the report submitted by the Panel and related material. We concur in the conclusions and recommendations of the Panel, and are forwarding the report to appropriate authorities. Since the problems related to this subject appear to be operational rather than intelligence in nature, we will be concerned only indirectly in the future. However, if there are any developments in which we believe you might be interested, we shall inform you. Specifically, knowledge of any interest of CIA in the subject of "flying saucers" has been carefully restricted, in view of probable misunderstanding if it were publicly known.

With best wishes,

Cordially yours,

[Signed: M. Marshall Chadwell]
 M. Marshall Chadwell
 Assistant Director

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11-17 January 1943

1. At your request I represented P&E Division at the subject meetings. I was present at nearly all meetings of the group with the exception of the afternoon of Friday, the 13th and the session on Saturday, the 27th. During the latter two sessions the Advisory Group went into executive session for the preparation of their report to P&E.

2. The following ODI Consultants formed the Advisory Group:

Dr. H. P. Johnson, Chairman

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Dr. Lloyd Miller (present only on afternoon of 15th and 16th)

conditions after the first day, but did not improve.

2. The following test will be performed in parallel:

27. Sir H. G. Gossamer (part of the First Day Issue)

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The following partners were invited to present certain brief reports in regard to the Advisory Groups:

Captain Edward R. Felt, AUS who presented information on the work of Frank Baldwin (and his associates "Lewie", "Samur", and "Ling") and discussed in detail many of their specific investigations.

Major Powers, etc. (by now on positive status and with the Royal Ass.) who presented similar's indictment of 1913, representatives of the busy chloro-organic side who presented their analysis of files of a "Bigotine".

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CHARGE TO O/SI ADVISORY GROUP ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. To review available evidence on unidentified flying objects and to consider possible dangers to national security related thereto.
2. To advise concerning the amount and kind of data necessary for a scientific evaluation of these phenomena.
3. In particular to comment on:
 - a. Validity of current CIA evaluation of related dangers.
 - b. Methodology and scope of current and planned ATIC investigation.
 - c. Advisability of further meetings of this group or further review of the subject by a larger panel.

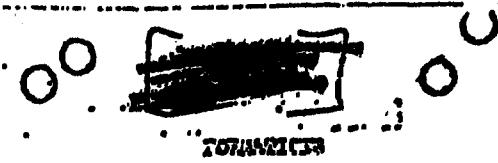
POSSIBLE EXPLANATIONS

- A. Hysteria, hallucinations, hoaxes, etc. (Psychological)
- B. Misidentifications of conventional objects:
 - 1. Aircraft, missiles, searchlight reflections, etc. (man-made, controlled)
 - 2. Balloons, kites, etc. (man-made, uncontrolled)
 - 3. Birds, bugs, etc. (animal)
 - 4. Dust, seeds (e.g. dandelion), paper, etc. (foreign matter)
- C. Natural Phenomena:
 - 1. Light atmospheric reflections, refractions, etc.
 - 2. Anomalous radar propagation
 - 3. Ionization, static electricity, ball lightning, etc.
 - 4. Planets, meteors and other astronomical bodies.
 - 5. Others.
- D. Unconventional man-made devices:
 - 1. US
 - 2. USSR and other foreign
- E. Extraterrestrial origin

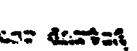
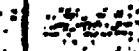
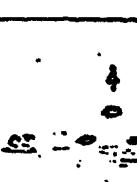
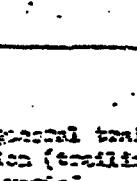
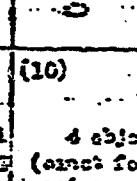
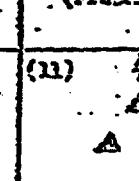
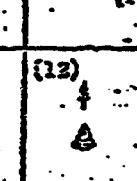
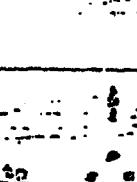
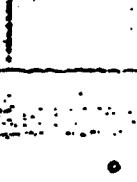
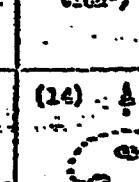
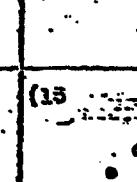
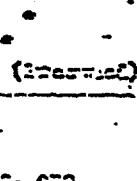
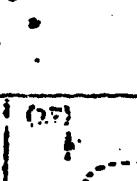
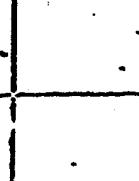
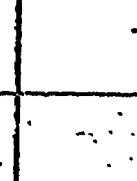
1. Animal

2. Machine

*Basis of man's followup procedure
to OS1 Obj. (Review on 16 Jan.)*



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 (3 in near-dotted array in circular or zig-zag manner)	 (4 objects in a swaying motion from side to side)		
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		 (Precision)	 (Precision)
(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
 (2 in general trail formation (trailing object verbal position))	 (4 objects (exact formation not specified))	 (Perfect forma- tion?)	 (Precision)
(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)
 Cluster 3 ^o	 Cluster 4 ^o	 Cluster 5 ^o	 Cluster 6 ^o
(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)
 3 objects, one above others 3 ^o apart	 4 objects, one above others 4 ^o apart	 5 objects, one above others 5 ^o apart	 6 objects, one above others 6 ^o apart